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Roughriders train in the rain

Team announces contract extension of general manager Brendan Taman during training camp Saturday PAGE 3

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Saskatoon police were at the scene on Broadway Avenue to investigate the murder of a 29-year-old man on Friday morning. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Province hit by two homicides in two days

Crime. Two men killed in separate incidents, one on Broadway Avenue, one after altercation at grad ceremony on Pelican Lake First Nation

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Saskatchewan saw two homicides over the weekend — one in Saskatoon on Broadway Avenue and the other at Pelican Lake First Nation.

The first homicide, which police responded to at roughly 3 a.m. on Friday, occurred in the 800 block of Broadway Avenue, in an apartment above Buds on Broadway.

Police received a call regarding an injured person and when they arrived, officers and personnel from MD Ambulance found an unresponsive 29-year-old male who was pronounced dead on the scene.

Police initially held a 35-year-old person of interest in custody, but he was released Saturday.

When asked what kind of an injury the man sustained in order for the police to rule the incident a homicide, Kelsie Fraser, a media-relations specialist with the Saskatoon Police Service, said it's part of an ongoing investigation.

"We responded to a 911 call that there was an unresponsive male, MD Ambulance were dispatched at the same time and he wasn't able to be revived," said Fraser.

"The cause of death, that's still part of the investigation. It's ongoing and I can't speculate at this time."

Police say they're still looking for witnesses to come forward with information.

"We have one witness that I know of and we're looking for people to come forward," said Fraser.

The second homicide was reported at roughly 6:30 a.m. Saturday when Spiritwood RCMP were called to an unresponsive 23-year-old male in an open field on Pelican Lake First Nation.

RCMP said Pelican Lake youth were celebrating graduation when an altercation occurred, and after CPR attempts by members of Emergency Medical Services it was apparent the unresponsive man was dead.

RCMP believe the man's death to be the result of a homicide and have arrested an 18-year-old male in relation to the incident. No formal charges have been laid, so police are not releasing the name of the person in custody or the name of the victim at this time.

The autopsy for the 23-year-old has yet to be scheduled, while the autopsy for the 29-year-old man in the Saskatoon incident is expected Monday or Tuesday.

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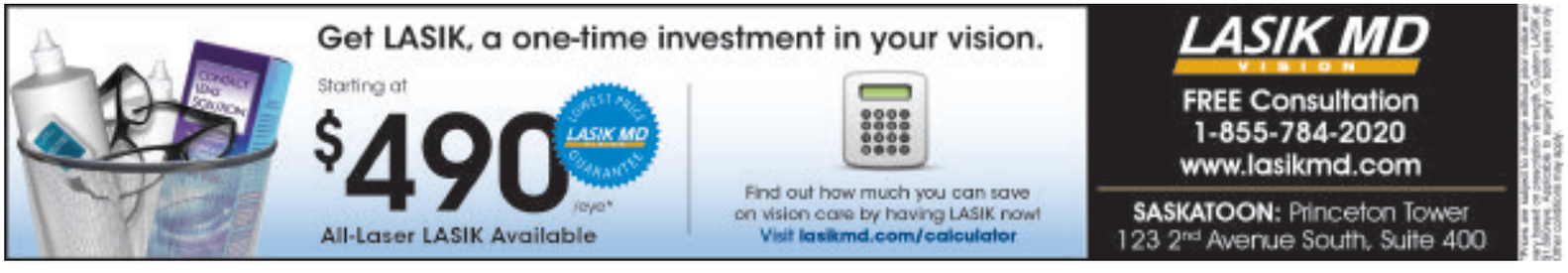

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Taman's contract extended as city transformed into Riderville

Roughriders. General manager has been in control of operations since 2009

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The Saskatchewan Roughriders made an afternoon cameo in Saskatoon at the University of Saskatchewan's Griffiths Stadium over the weekend.

Despite a rainy go of things, optimism at the camp was high for the quickly approaching Canadian Football League season.

On the same day as the Saskatoon camp, it was announced by Riders president and CEO Jim Hopson that the organization has extended its contract with general manager Brandon Taman into the 2013 CFL season.

Taman, who is entering his third consecutive season with the Roughriders, has been with the team since 2009 and has been in control of football operations since last November. He replaced former general manager Eric Tillman in January 2010.

Despite a lackluster 5-13 record last season, Hopson is positive that Taman has what it takes to restore Riderville's winning reputation.

"Brendan has put his mark on this team," said Hopson from the sidelines of Griffiths Stadium. "We think it was the right decision and we're very pleased to have him on board this year and the next. We have an option for the year after so we think it's good for the organization long- and short-term."

The news of just a one-year contract drew criticism from some of the local media but Hopson made it clear that the contract was intended to motivate Taman's performance.

"We want to make sure it's performance-driven. Brendan was very comfortable with that and he understands that," said Hopson.

Taman, a native of Saskatchewan, spent the past decade as a Winnipeg Blue Bomber, five seasons of which he served as a general manager and vice-president of operations.

The Riders open the CFL pre-season on Wednesday when they travel to Vancouver to clash with the B.C. Lions. They will play their first home exhibition game at Mosaic Stadium on June 22 against the Calgary Stampeders. The Roughriders open the CFL campaign on June 29 in Hamilton against the Tiger-Cats.

Roughriders quarterback Darian Durant during training camp at Griffiths Stadium in Saskatoon on Saturday. DORIAN GEIGER/METRO

Huskies-turned-Riders return to Griffiths

It's a dream of many football players who grew up in Saskatchewan to one day play for the Roughriders.

This aspiration is no longer a fantasy for Saskatchewan-born Roughriders players Paul Woldu, Scott McHenry and Ben Heenan.

Woldu, McHenry and Heenan bled Green and White in the past as University of Saskatchewan Huskies, and on Saturday they experienced nostalgia firsthand during a Saskatoon training camp at Griffiths Stadium.

"It really meant a lot to me and all the former Huskies. It will always be something special to me so it was a good day," said Heenan, who is a native of Regina.

Woldu, a 2008 fifth-round draft selection of the Montreal Alouettes, was signed by Saskatchewan as a free agent in the offseason. It was difficult for the Regina product not to reminisce about his university heyday under the lights at Griffiths.

"This is where it kind of all started for me. I loved every ounce of it. With the city and its environment, I was very excited to be here. I enjoyed every minute of it," said Woldu.

Saskatchewan Roughriders Paul Woldu, Ben Heenan and Scott McHenry came up through the ranks of the University of Saskatchewan Huskies football program and returned to Griffiths Stadium for a spring training camp in Saskatoon on Saturday. DORIAN GEIGER/METRO

Heenan, the Riders' first round selection in the 2012 CFL draft, has yet to play with Woldu and McHenry. Teammates during the 2006 and 2007 Canadian Interuniversity Sport seasons, Woldu and McHenry are well-acquainted.

"It's awesome. These are guys you've played with and against your whole life and it's good to know we're doing the right things and taking the right steps. It's a really good program we've come out of," said Woldu.

McHenry was acquired from the Calgary Stampeders last season and he, too, was excited to call Woldu a teammate again.

"In the off-season when I knew Paul was a free agent, I was hoping they'd bring him back. Paul and I played together and worked hard together. It's cool because we all have something in common," he explained.

Amidst the drizzly weather, McHenry relived old memories as he caught passes in a Saskatchewan Roughriders jersey at Griffiths.

"To come full circle like this — to be able to come back and be a professional football player, I was pretty proud to be able to say I went to university here and played for the Huskies," said McHenry, who is vying for a full back or receiver position. "This place has come a long way and so have I. It's pretty special to be out here in front of the people of Saskatoon."

DORIAN GEIGER/METRO

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On the web

Popular pastor denies choking daughter

Megachurch pastor Creflo Dollar denied Sunday that he punched and choked his 15-year-old daughter in an argument, telling his congregation the allegations made in a police report are nothing but "exaggeration and sensationalism." Watch church members' reactions at metronews.ca.

Neighbours oppose Oreo expansion plan

One hundred years after the introduction of the Oreo, an expansion plan at the iconic cookie's New York City birthplace has left a bitter taste in the mouths of its neighbours. Read more about the fight for the "American epicentre of food culture" at metronews.ca.

Mobile news

When does a smartphone make you dumb? When you're driving. Scan the code to read about software developers' valiant efforts to solve the problem of distracted driving.

Foul play not suspected in death at aquatic centre

Drowning. Lifeguards on duty at the time are receiving counselling

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A 27-year-old man was declared dead after he was found unconscious and underwater at the pool of the Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre.

The city's Leisure Services Branch said at roughly 9:14 p.m. on Friday, lifeguard staff at the centre initiated "emergency rescue procedures" to rescue the man from the deep end of the pool.

Lifeguards started performing CPR and continued until paramedics arrived. The man was then taken to hospital, but was declared dead on arrival.

In light of the death, the city issued a press release extending "condolences to the man's family and friends in what must be a difficult time."

The release also said the city went through all the necessary protocols to conduct an immediate investigation to gather information about the incident. It also reviewed emergency procedures.

The city will also provide lifeguards who were working at the time with ongoing "critical incident counselling," noting that all lifeguards received counselling immediately afterward.

The Saskatoon Police Service said the cause of death is unknown but added that the coroner's office has ordered an autopsy.

Foul play is not suspected and the pool was operating on regular hours on Sunday.

A 27-year-old man died at Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre on Friday night.
MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Thousands brave the rain to boogie on down in the Bridge City

The rain was relentless on Sunday morning, but that didn't stop some 4,000 runners from coming out for the sixth annual Bridge City Boogie. Participants had the option of doing a two-, five- or 10-kilometre run or walk.
JANE CAULFIELD/METRO

Head-on collision

Three dead in highway crash

Three people were killed on Sunday in a vehicle accident near Rosetown. RCMP say a 47-year-old man, 19-year-old woman and 13-year-old girl from Sorrento, B.C., were killed southwest of Saskatoon.

A 42-year-old woman and a 16-year-old boy remain in hospital. Police say a westbound car tried to pass a transport truck but collided head-on with an eastbound SUV. Police say heavy rain impaired visibility. Both occupants of the SUV have also been taken to hospital.
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No bull

Moose relocated from Saskatoon

Two adolescent bull moose were tranquillized on Saturday after they wandered into the RCAF Memorial Park. A police release said the animals were "enjoying the lush vegetation," but because of their size and proximity to busy roads, had to be sedated and taken to a safe location. Traffic was diverted while Saskatchewan Environmental Resource Management officers delivered a projectile sedative. The moose were taken "well outside of the city" and are expected to make a full recovery.
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Ride Safe

Program for kids teaches safe cycling

Grade 3 children could be cycling safer this summer thanks to an initiative by the City of Saskatoon. The city and two school boards are teaming with certified Can Bike instructors to deliver the Learn to Ride Safe program. A city release says the program serves as "a good reminder to constantly be on the lookout for pedestrians and bikers ... during the warm weather."

To learn more, go to saskatoon.ca and enter the keywords "Learn to Ride Safe."
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No one injured in house fire

It took Fire and Protective Services 55 minutes to get a fire under control at 452 Avenue South on Friday. Upon arriving at the home, firefighters saw light smoke from the front and heavy smoke from the rear. FPS said the intensity of the fire prevented interior crews from advancing, and firefighters changed their strategy to an exterior approach. Once crews had "knocked down" the blaze, crews re-entered the home and put out remaining hot spots. Damage is estimated at $150,000.
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Break-and-enter

Man stabbed in home invasion

Police are investigating a break-and-enter and an assault during which a man was stabbed several times.

Police attended a home in the 1500 block of Avenue C N at 6:35 p.m. on Friday night. They say four men reportedly burst into the home and demanded money. They subsequently stabbed the victim. The four men were dressed in black clothing, hats and were said to be about 20 years old. The incident is under investigation.
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Court

Man who abused granddaughters seeks house arrest

A defence lawyer for an 86-year-old man who pleaded guilty to sexually assaulting his two young granddaughters decades ago is asking for two years of house arrest instead of jail time. The lawyer said Pete Therrien of Willow Bunch, Sask., is old and has mental-health issues. The victims, Nicole and Leanne Eger, went public with their story last year. They say the molestation began when they were around four. The judge will announce his decision on July 30. METRO

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Police keep subway moving despite threat of Montreal race disruption

Student uprising. Police criticized for 'preventative' measures that kept potential protesters away from race site on island

Police use pepper spray and fight with protesters during an arrest near the Montreal Grand Prix festival area on Sunday. PETER MCCABE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Montreal police clamped down on any attempt to disrupt the subway line running to the city's Formula One Grand Prix race Sunday, arresting 34 people and forcing dozens more from the off-shore island where the race was held.

There were no major incidents despite plans by an anti-capitalist group — promoted on a student association website — to disrupt the subway line that shuttled thousands of fans to the Circuit Gilles-Villeneuve.

Officers were posted at throughout the subway system, with sniffer dogs and a line of police at the station only steps from the track.

But police were criticized for searches and arrests that police called "a preventive measure."

"Some of those arrested were people police recognized from earlier student demonstrations that had been deemed illegal," district commander Alain Simoneau told reporters. "In the interest of public safety, we decided to detain these people."

Masks, rocks and knives were among the objects seized. Most of those arrested will be released without charge, while others arrested in neighbouring suburbs could be charged, Simoneau said.

Police presence was high leading up to the race. A Canadian Press reporter who didn't have a Grand Prix ticket wasn't allowed onto the island where the race is being held and was forced back onto the subway along with several other people.

Several people, many of them wearing red squares, the emblem of the student movement, were seen being forcibly escorted back onto the subway by police.

One young woman in tears said she was planning to get her ticket when she met up with a friend in front of the track. The woman, who had dyed red hair, accused the police of "profiling." Police said about 40 people were forced back in all.

An Ottawa man headed to the race said he felt the police had an obligation to ensure the event went off smoothly. He said while he supports the right to protest, disrupting the transit system was out of line.

"It should be a peaceful event," said Ali Fadelalla. "Lots of tourists come from all over the world. If people start to disrupt the race it's not good for the country or the province."

There has been a heightened police presence throughout the four-day Grand Prix festivities in downtown Montreal and at the racetrack itself. The event has become the target of demonstrations against student tuition-fee increases and capitalism in general.

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Alberta

Oil spill could have been worse: Pipeline company

A representative for the company whose pipeline spilled hundreds of thousands of litres of oil into an Alberta river suggests there were two lucky breaks that kept it from being worse.

Stephen Bart, the vice-president of crude oil operations for Plains Midstream Canada, says the first piece of good luck was that the pipeline wasn't flowing at the time. Bart says the second was that the Red Deer River was swollen with recent rain, and that washed the oil to the Gleniffer Reservoir where it can be more easily contained by booms. Plains Midstream Canada has estimates between 1,000 and 3,000 barrels of oil spilled Thursday.

Bart says people on are foot looking for wildlife that may have been affected by the spill, but there are few reports of injured animals so far. The company has been providing bottled water to people who draw their drinking water directly from the river and the reservoir.

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For Wallenda, Niagara walk is a dream come true

On Friday, Nik Wallenda will walk a tightrope across Niagara Falls from the U.S. to Canada. This photo is from a practice session in the parking lot of the Seneca Hotel and Casino on the U.S. side. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

Nik Wallenda can't visit a new place without envisioning a wire strung high above his head. Even as a six-year-old at Niagara Falls with his parents, he pictured walking a tightrope over the raging, whitewater maw.

Now 33, he's ready to live out that childhood fantasy when he attempts Friday to become the first person ever to walk a tightrope directly over the brink of Niagara Falls.

"It's just natural," Wallenda, a seventh-generation member of the famed Flying Wallendas, explained. "When I drive into a city, I'm always thinking, 'It would be cool to do a walk there.' It's just the way I think and always have."

Quoted

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Nik Wallenda

The daredevil is youthful and athletic, solidly built from gym workouts and a lifetime of training.

But it's the mental element, trusting in his skill and tuning out the potential danger, that can mean the difference between success and failure.

"You can either talk yourself out of doing something or you can talk yourself into doing something," he said.

Since first stepping on a wire when he was two, Wallenda, who lives in Sarasota, Fla., has earned six Guinness World Records. His family has been performing for audiences at circus-style shows for more than 200 years.

The Niagara Falls walk set for Friday night, above an almost 60-metre drop and through potentially high winds and vision-obscuring mist, will be unlike anything he's ever done. Because it's over water, the two-inch wire won't have the usual stabilizer cables to keep it from swinging. Pendulum anchors are designed to keep it from twisting under his elk-skin-soled shoes on the 550-metre walk from the U.S. shore to Canada.

"The thing about this cable, it's unique to me even, and because of that I'll be very, very focused on it," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rail collision. 2 children killed as family van hit

Catastrophe befell a young family Sunday as the van they were in was struck by a train east of Windsor, Ont., killing two young sisters and leaving their brother clinging to life.

Ontario Provincial Police said the accident involving a CP Rail freight train occurred at a level crossing outside the town of Lakeshore, where police said the family is from.

Police identified the dead children as Wynter Williams, 6, and her sister, Brooklyn, 3.

Their brother, Dryden Williams, 4, was taken to a Detroit hospital with serious, life-threatening injuries, police said in a news release.

The children's father, Andrew Williams, was in a Windsor hospital with serious, life-threatening injuries.

The youngest passenger, one-year-old Jasmyn Williams, received minor injuries.

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Gay pride. First Alberta premier attends event

There were cheers at Edmonton's Gay Pride festival Saturday as Alison Redford became the first Alberta premier to participate in the annual event.

Redford spoke to the crowd in the city's downtown following the pride parade, and several thousand people filled the square as she took the stage and donned a rainbow sash. "Personally, it's a privilege to be able to be here to celebrate community, diversity, families, tolerance and an Alberta for 2012 where all of us feel safe, secure and confident about expressing who we are," she said.

Quoted

"I think we'll see a very different reaction ... from politicians from here on in." Pride organizer Michael Phair

THE CANADIAN PRESS

HIV tests. It took weeks to inform parents: Mom

The mother of a teenaged girl who is among 80 aboriginal students being tested for hepatitis and HIV says weeks passed before she was informed about the need for the tests.

Rosalind Monias says she only found out Friday that her 17-year-old daughter was one of the students who received a faulty diabetes screening early last month.

A University of Manitoba professor talked to students at Southeast Collegiate in Winnipeg on May 4 about diabetes and used a glucometer to test blood-sugar levels.

A university spokesman says the professor changed the needle used on each person, but failed to realize that the part that holds the needle must also be changed.

Many of the students were then given screenings for HIV and hepatitis as a precaution.

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Maddening lines get worse at Heathrow

Britain. Olympics only 50 days away and Brits worry tourists may not keep a stiff upper lip about the really long queues

The first taste of British life for most travellers landing at Heathrow Airport these days is the queue.

That long line snaking back and forth to passport control can be maddening, and even the British — masters at manners when it comes to waiting in line — are beginning to lose their patience.

All the bad news about lines last month sparked concerns about the fate of tourists arriving for the Olympics.

With the games less than 50 days away, the bad press about lines unsettled British authorities, who have been falling all over themselves to make sure that everything is ready and moving smoothly for the sporting extravaganza.

More people than ever used Heathrow last year — nearly 70-million passengers — straining an arrivals process that relies on traditional, staffed immigration desks, according to Ben Vogel, the editor of IHS Jane's Airport Review.

Those lines have been blamed on the government, the airline schedules — and even the wind.

The relentless bad publicity has been painful for Heathrow — even though it is the border agency, not the airport operator which is responsible for slimming the lines.

People who are waiting complain that desks aren't always manned, even as the numbers grow.

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'Listen up'

Take Joan Collins, the actress who describes herself on her Twitter feed as "Much Travelled. Exhausted," was shocked when she passed through Heathrow last month. She had a message for Home Secretary, Theresa May. "Arrived LHR after great trip on @British Airways but 1000s waiting at passport control - listen up Ms. May - need more officers!"

In France, the battle for control goes on

Former French president Nicolas Sarkozy and his wife, Carla Bruni-Sarkozy, cast their votes in Paris Sunday in the first round of parliamentary elections, which will determine whether President Francois Hollande's Socialists or conservatives control parliament. The final round is June 17. PHILIPPE WOJAZER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'Transubstantiation'

Two-thirds of Irish Catholics don't accept core belief: Poll

An international conference celebrating Roman Catholicism opened Sunday in Ireland.

About 12,000 Catholics gathered for an open-air mass in a Dublin stadium at the start of the Eucharistic Congress. The global gathering, begun in the 19th century, highlights the Catholic Church's belief in transubstantiation — that bread and wine transforms during mass into the actual body and blood of Jesus.

A poll of Irish Catholics found that two-thirds don't believe this.

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New York City police

Orthodox Jew fired over beard

An Orthodox Jew who was weeks away from becoming a New York cop has been kicked out of the police academy for refusing to trim his beard. Fishel Litzman believes cutting his beard is forbidden.

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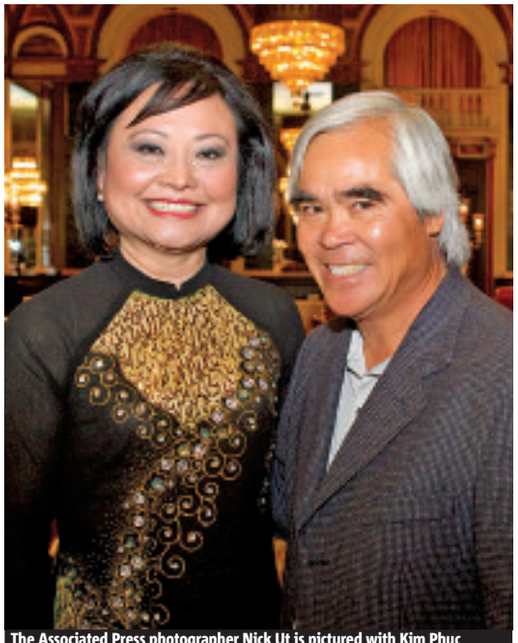
Forgiveness wasn't easy for woman in iconic Vietnam pic



The Associated Press photographer Nick Ut is pictured with Kim Phuc Phan Thi ahead of a tribute dinner in Toronto on Friday. Ut shot an iconic photo of Kim Phuc in 1972 after the Vietnamese village of Trang Bang suffered a napalm attack. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hatred. Bombing changed view of the war, and left her scarred for life

A woman who came to symbolize the horrors of the Vietnam War said she thought she would "die of hatred" after the bombing that left her scarred for life.

Though she eventually learned to forgive those behind the attack — and the brutal conflict that spurred it — Kim Phuc Phan Thi vowed she would never forget the terrible consequences of war.

That she survived the raid was "an accident of history," she said on the 40th anniversary of the photo that made her famous.

"I'll never forget my two cousins who were killed in that napalm fire and I'll never forget the millions of innocent victims who live their lives with the daily threat of violence and war," she said.

Kim Phuc was only nine years old when she was photographed fleeing a napalm strike on her village in South Vietnam on June 8, 1972.

The image of her running naked down a road captured worldwide attention and later won a Pulitzer Prize.

Recovering from the physical and emotional wounds she suffered took years, Kim Phuc said, thanking the journalists, nurses, doctors and loved ones who came to her aid in the decades since the bombing.

"In order to be really free, I had to learn to forgive," she said in an emotional speech punctuated by tears.

Kim Phuc and her husband came to Canada in 1992 and now live in the Toronto area.

Quoted

"A moment captured on film turned one child's atrocity into a story of hope and survival."

Kim Phuc Phan Thi,
on the photo that changed her life

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Budget. Potential for long week as Speaker set to rule on stall tactics

Opposition politicians throwing hundreds of amendments at the Conservatives' omnibus budget bill are set to find out which ones are going to stick.

What could be a marathon week in the House of Commons begins Monday with the Speaker expected to decide how over 1,000 changes proposed to Bill C-38, the government's budget-implementation bill, will be dealt with in the House.

The government argues all legislation contained within the bill is to the economic benefit of the country, but critics say jamming so many major changes into a single bill means they aren't getting the scrutiny they require.

But with a Conservative majority, the bill is set to pass, so all the opposition parties have pulled procedural rabbits of their hats.

The New Democrats and the Liberals gave notice of over 1,000 amendments seeking to delete various clauses of the bill. Technically, a vote is required on each one, which could keep the Commons sitting around the clock for days.

Really big bill

The 400-plus pages of legislation amend some 70 laws, including the process for environmental assessment and the rules around old age security and employment insurance.

"The content is flawed in many respects and they just want to bulldoze through the whole process," said NDP deputy finance critic Guy Caron.

Both parties had also suggested changes at the committee studying the bill, but those were rejected by the Tories.

On Monday, the Liberals will try anew, asking that elements relating to fisheries, environmental assessment, EI and old age security be removed and introduced as separate legislation.

Conservative House Leader Peter Van Loan suggested the government may look at some of the proposed changes, but argued the lion's share are merely procedural games.

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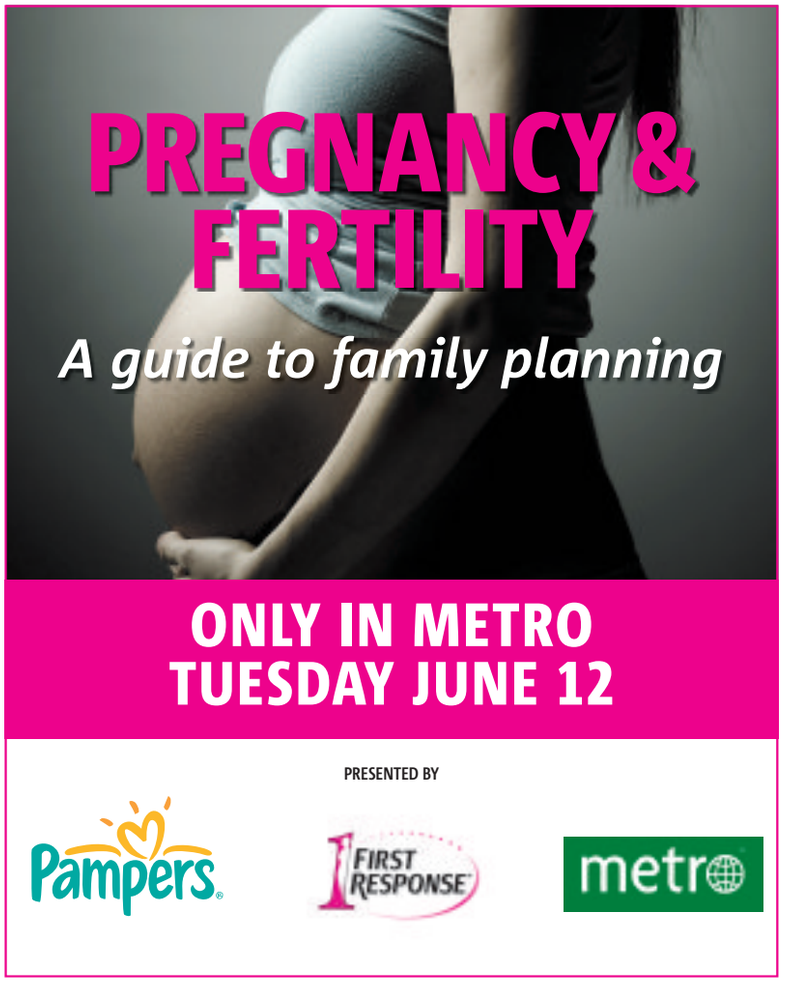

Rookie MP moonlights to keep medical credentials

Conservative MP and surgeon Dr. Kellie Leitch is shown at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario in Ottawa. FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

"What do I want to be when I grow up?"

Dr. Kellie Leitch repeats the cheeky question aloud, laughing easily as she buys time for a response.

For the rookie Conservative MP from Ontario, rising star in the government ranks and parliamentary secretary to the minister of labour, it is no idle inquiry.

Her career paths seem limitless.

Leitch, 41, is being interviewed at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario, where she moonlights as a volunteer pediatric orthopedic surgeon between parrying questions in the House of Commons, voting on bills, arguing policy on committees and travelling to her Simcoe-Grey riding for constituency work.

Her unpaid time at the hospital, known as CHEO, allows Leitch to maintain her surgeon's credentials while she masters the art of electoral politics.

"I don't know if I was confident that I'd always be able to keep a foot in both worlds, but I always was hopeful that I would," Leitch says of her decision to seek office.

When she won the nomination after the downfall and expulsion of Helena Guergis from the Conservative caucus, Leitch says people regularly raised the problem of physician shortages and whether she could better serve the public in her trained profession.

There are about 800 practising orthopedic surgeons in Canada, but only 34 list pediatrics as a full- or part-time specialty, according to the Canadian Orthopedic Association.

Leitch says patching up kids and listening to their parents' concerns — parents who come from all walks of life — "keeps me grounded. It's part of who I am: Being a surgeon and taking care of children."

Hers is a dizzying schedule.

In order to maintain her credentials, Leitch visits the hospital two or three mornings a week for rounds before reporting to her day job at 9 a.m. Since January, she's been on call every sixth week, doing rounds in the early morning before heading to Parliament Hill and then returning around dinner — "the witching hour," she calls it — for the evening call shift.

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It's all downhill from here despite bailout: Spain PM

Debt crisis. Spain becomes the fourth and largest country to ask eurogroup to rescue its failing banks

Spain's grinding economic misery will get worse this year, despite the country's request for a European financial lifeline of up to $125 billion US to save its banks, Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy said Sunday.

A day after the country conceded it needed outside help following months of denying it would seek assistance, Rajoy said more Spaniards will lose their jobs in a country where one out of every four is already unemployed.

"This year is going to be a bad one," Rajoy said Sunday in his first comments about the rescue since it was announced the previous evening by his economy minister.

Quoted

"Lots of people enjoyed the consumer boom, but not everybody. Now everybody's having to pay for it."

Paul Preston, history professor and expert on Spain with the London School of Economics

The conservative prime minister added that the economy, stuck in its second recession in three years, will still contract the previously predicted 1.7 per cent even with the help.

Spain on Saturday became the fourth — and largest — of the 17 countries that use Europe's common currency to request a bailout — a big blow to a nation that a few years ago took pride as the continent's economic superstar only to see it become the hot spot in the eurozone debt crisis. Its economy is the eurozone's fourth largest after Germany, France and Italy.

Although Spain has not yet said how much money it would seek, the eurogroup — finance ministers of the 17-country eurozone — said in a statement Saturday that it was prepared to lend up to $125 billion.

The funds will be sent to the Spanish government's Fund for Orderly Bank Restructuring, which would use the money to strengthen the country's teetering banks.

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Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Apple. New iPhone, iPad software anticipated

Apple CEO Tim Cook is expected to show off new iPhone software, updated Mac computers and provide more details on future releases of Mac software when he kicks off the company's annual conference for software developers on Monday.

The announcement of new software for the iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch has been confirmed by banners that appeared at the Moscone conference centre in San Francisco on Friday, reading "iOS 6."

Apple has used its Worldwide Developers Conference as an opportunity to announce new iPhone software for the past few years.

What's not known is what new features will come with iOS 6, or when it will be released to consumers. Usually, the new software becomes available for download around the time a new iPhone model appears.

Apple-watchers expect the next version of the iPhone, the iPhone 5, to appear this fall, about a year after the launch of the 4S model.

In 2010, Apple demonstrated the new iPhone 4 at the WWDC, but analysts don't expect the company to show off a phone model this year.

With the launch of iOS 5 last year, Apple added many features already found in competing smartphone software. It also added the "Siri" virtual-assistant feature, which interprets voice commands and talks back to the user.

This year, there are fewer "catch-up" features to add, so Apple watchers expect more modest improvements.

Some speculate that Facebook could become more tightly integrated, in much the same way that Apple baked Twitter functions into its software last year. That could make it easier to post Facebook status updates from within Apple's apps.

On the Mac software side, there are fewer unknowns. Apple already demonstrated most of the features of OS X 10.8 "Mountain Lion" in February and said it will go on sale late this summer.

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Charity auction

Lunch with Buffett nets $3.5 million

The cost to dine with investor Warren Buffett has apparently spiked in value, with one deep-pocketed bidder forking over nearly $3.5 million US during a charity auction Friday.

The annual auction for a private lunch with the Nebraska billionaire closed following a flurry of activity in the final hours. In the end, the highest bid was a record-breaking $3,456,789.

The auction benefits the Glide Foundation, which helps the homeless in San Francisco. Buffett has raised more than $11.5 million for the group in 13 past auctions. The event provides a significant portion of Glide's roughly $17-million annual budget that pays for social services to the poor and homeless.

"We just had a most amazing, shocking experience occur in our great city," Glide's founder, the Rev. Cecil Williams, said in a statement Friday night. "We are shouting, dancing, rejoicing and celebrating."

The organization said Friday's winning bidder wished to remain anonymous. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BEHOLD, SUPERPREMIER

URBAN COMPASS
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Brad Wall looks a bit like Clark Kent, but don't be fooled. He's really Superpremier, ready to leap over Thomas Mulcair in a single bound.

Saskatchewan's favourite son is Canada's alpha premier these days, and he's been hitching a ride on a political comet ever since he decided to take on federal NDP Leader Mulcair and his comment that the oilsands are infecting Canada with a case of "Dutch Disease": Oil fuels the creation of petro-dollars, which make exports more expensive, causing harm to the manufacturing sector.

Not coincidentally, the manufacturing sector is in the East, along with Mulcair's voters. Wall and the oilsands are in the West, which is enjoying an economic boom thanks to resource royalties. Now Mulcair is threatening to jeopardize that boom, demanding that "polluters" pay for the environmental impact of their extractions.

Tackling the NDP

"Wall slams Mulcair's logic to the, er, wall and points out that his demand to make polluters pay is really a cleverly concealed scheme to steal from the rich (the West) and give to the poor (the East) via some nefarious carbon cap and trade."

As far as we out here can tell, the only difference between Mulcair and Lex Luthor, Clark Kent's nemesis, is that Mulcair is very hairy, while Luthor is as hairless as Dr. Evil.

Superpremier to the rescue. Wall slams Mulcair's logic to the, er, wall and points out that his demand to make polluters pay is really a cleverly concealed scheme to steal from the rich (the West) and give to the poor (the East) via some nefarious carbon cap and trade.

As Wall stands tall, counterparts Alison Redford of Alberta and Christy Clark of B.C. stand by and admire his … poll results.

Superpremier is not only the mightiest premier in the land, he is the most popular by a Prairie mile. He enjoys a 67 per cent approval rating among his voters. Only the freshly minted Redford is even close. Kathy Dunderdale from Newfoundland is a distant third, but surely that's only because those polled confuse her with someone from This Hour Has 22 Minutes. Poor Clark is second last. She's too busy holding on to her seat to become the Voice of the West, even if she does have a mouth that can roar.

Interestingly, this national joust is not hurting Luthor, I mean, Mulcair either. Another poll has him and his NDP actually leading the Harper government, albeit by a tiny fraction, but this Dr. Evil stuff obviously has some political currency, so don't expect it to end soon.

To be clear, there is no chance Mulcair's threats will have any impact on the oilsands or the West as long as Harper, MP for Calgary Southwest, is the prime minister, which he will be at least until Oct. 19, 2015, the date of the next federal election.

Based on the way things are going, at that point Wall will still be the most popular premier in the land, and Mulcair will be cooling his heels, on ice, in the Fortress of Solitude.

Never underestimate the deceptively mild-mannered Clark Kent … or his double.

Worth mentioning

Endangered whale numbers up after ships rerouted

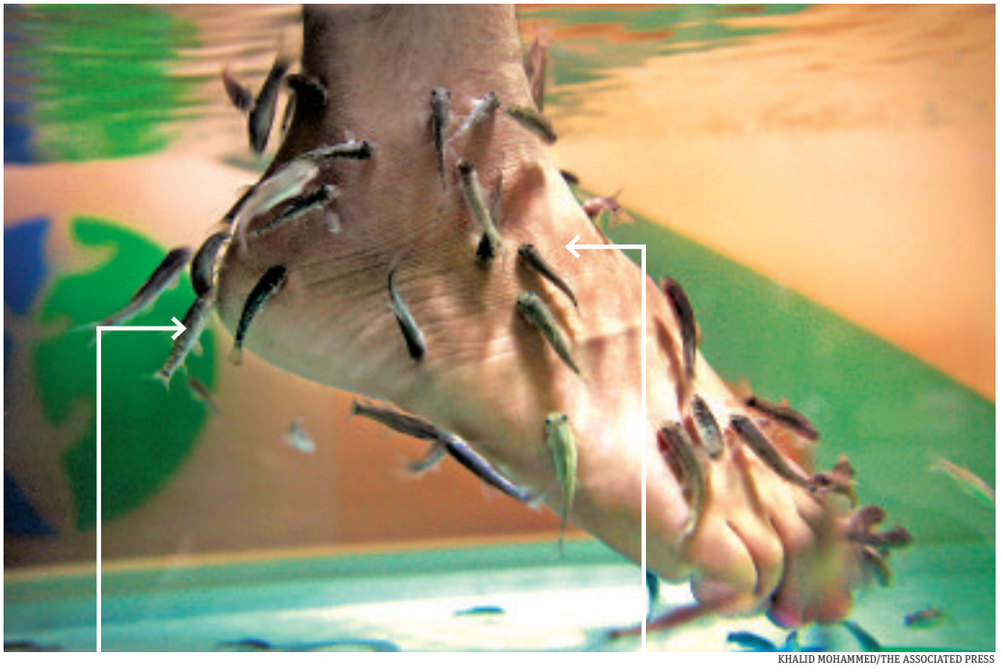
The population of a once nearly extinct whale is on the rise, partly because of an unlikely collaboration between a Canadian oil company and an aquarium.

Ten years ago, New Brunswick-based Irving Oil rerouted its shipping lanes in the Bay of Fundy to move away from the feeding grounds of the North Atlantic right whale, reducing the risk of collisions.

It's a move that scientists say has played a great role in the recovery of the endangered species.

Dr. Moira Brown, a senior scientist at the New England Aquarium in Boston, said in the past decade, the right whale population has grown by an average of two per cent annually, from about 350 whales to more than 450. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Something's fishy about this …



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Post-violence pampering

Pedicure shops setting foot in Iraq

An Iraqi man immerses his feet in a fish tank with Garra rufa, also known as doctor fish, at Baghdad's first fish-pedicure salon in Iraq on Sunday. The latest luxury spa in Iraq's capital offers another small sign of life creeping closer to normalcy, if your definition of "normal" includes having tiny fish nibble on your feet.

The salon aims to bring in Iraqi customers who have recently begun to venture out again as the violence that engulfed the country after the 2003 U.S.-led invasion ebbs.

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Water oasis

- **Bombings and shootings** are still common, but daily life has improved for most people in recent years. Dozens of beauty salons, cosmetic surgery centres and other enterprises have sprung up to cash in on war-weary Iraqis looking for pampering.
- **Doctor's Fish Spa** opened this year in western Baghdad's upscale Mansour area.
- **Owner Musbah Saleh** says he's confident of success for his piscine pampering project despite minor logistical hurdles, such as the city's frequent power cuts that force him to run a noisy generator.

Nailing it

"Chinese massage centres, beauty salons are all thriving. So this kind of business has a promising future.... The Iraqi people need these things because they couldn't have them before."

Doctor's Fish Spa owner Musbah Saleh, 37, commenting on the new spa industry that is thriving in Iraq.

Curb appeal

Spa located near security checkpoint

Violence in Baghdad has dropped sharply in recent years, after a wave of sectarian attacks that pushed the country to the brink of civil war. The wealthy Mansour neighbourhood near Musbah Saleh's spa saw some of the worst of the sectarian carnage.

Just down the street from Doctor's Fish Spa, there is a police checkpoint — one of dozens across Baghdad — with concrete barriers, rolls of barbed wire and armed police. Far from scaring customers off, the checkpoint was part of the location's appeal, Saleh says. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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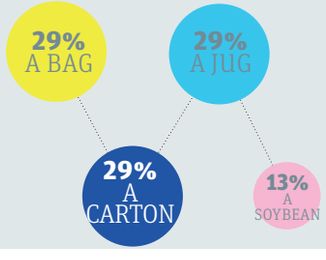

Twitter

@jeffdotca: Grocery shopping and listening to Six-Pack Summer by Phil Vassar... Doesn't make me forget the rain in #yxe :(

@MissStaceyZ: @TheSheepdogs Watching the #CTV special "...Sheepdogs" So proud of you guys! #saskatoon #yxe

@Claire_MP: Still pissing buckets in #yxe Miss Plum will not appreciate this.

@kimma2: The stupid rain could stop any time now #yxe

@raygfox: First time running 5km!!! Great time at the #BridgeCityBoogie thx to all the volunteers and police who made our run safe and fun #yxe

@SaskHockeyFan23: It looks like I will be watching #Euro2012 on TV and not playing soccer today. I love soccer #rain #yxe

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Metric's new album Synthetica is out on Tuesday. PHOTO: JUSTIN BROADBENT

Metric find their system

New album. Band parlays their success into making music on their own terms — and gets experimental on Synthetica

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It's a well-worn cliché: emerging indie band with big buzz but few resources faces umpteen struggles along the way before finally breaking through and becoming a bona fide international success.

But despite their steady rise, Metric have always refused to take the expected route — while other bands in their position may have succumbed to the pressures that go hand-in-hand with crossing over into the mainstream, they decided to leverage their success a slightly different way — by making their next album entirely on their own terms.

The band's new record, Synthetica, offers a sleek digital-meets-analogue twist on the quartet's signature synth-pop — fans looking for a repeat of the shiny stadium anthems of 2009's Fantasies (which sold over 1 million singles and nearly 500,000 copies worldwide) might be slightly nonplussed, but to hear singer Emily Haines tell it, success equalled more creative freedom.

"You have to really have it together on all fronts," she notes.

"It's pretty challenging to navigate the business side and the sonic side — the music you want to create, who you want to work with, the live element. So it feels like we've slowly but surely made progress in all those areas over the years, and it feels good to be heading in the direction we always hoped to."

Aside from releasing their music entirely independently through their own label via various international partnerships, another piece of the puzzle was establishing their own studio at home in Toronto — being able to hunker down amidst guitarist-producer Jimmy Shaw's growing arsenal of vintage gear and instruments proved to be the key catalyst in defining Synthetica's sound.

"It sounded as if I were writing in this context that Jimmy created — this futuristic-yet-nostalgic kind of sound," says Haines, the band's principal lyricist.

"It's interesting with those instruments, because when they were invented, they were associated with the future. And now here we are in the supposed future, and those instruments actually sound really charming — they don't sound alien at all."

From the robotic stomp of first single Youth Without Youth (which quickly became the first single to ever debut at No. 1 on the Canadian Mediabase alternative radio chart) to the buzzy synths propelling surefire hit The Void, Synthetica paints a portrait of a modern era too preoccupied with keeping up than it is with taking stock.

"It's our examination of what's real and what's artificial," Haines explains.

"So it's a lot about looking back to look forward — it's not really so much about reminiscing as trying to get a handle on things so you can figure out which direction to take."

Mapping out their own route — literally and figuratively — will be a major part of Metric's preoccupations over the next year as the band hits the road across the globe in support of the new album ("You'd laugh if you saw the giant wall calendar that is our lives right now," Haines quips) while also managing the responsibilities that come with being in charge of their own creative and business interests.

"We seem to be living in exponential times, where things are changing so rapidly — obviously not just in music, but in all sectors of technology," Haines says.

"It's sort of more fun to be on the side where we're on, where we can be in the moment and try and experiment with things that haven't been done before, as opposed to trying to hold on to the way things used to be.

"But we're up for the whole thing — we feel like we're doing exactly what we're meant to do."

Quoted

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Metric's Emily Haines

Special concerts

Homegrown heroes?

Always a fan favourite in Canada (fun fact: though Haines and Shaw initially formed the band as a duo in Toronto in the late '90s, the band expanded into a quartet a few years later by adding the rhythm section of Joules Scott-Key and Joshua Winstead, both from the U.S.), Metric decided to kick off the release of Synthetica with special concerts in Montreal and Toronto, including an exclusive performance at Toronto's Phoenix Concert Theatre on Tuesday night (fans could win tickets via hints on the band's Twitter and Facebook pages).

"The more you travel, the more you value your home," Haines says of Metric's deep-seated connection with their Canadian fanbase.

"I love doing stuff like [the special CD-release shows] — we have the freedom to do that now, so why not?"

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Box office

Creatures lure audiences

Circus animals and space beasts have lifted Hollywood to a huge weekend. The cuddly critters of Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted led the weekend with a $60.4 million debut, followed by a big opening for Ridley Scott's alien saga Prometheus at No. 2 with $50 million. DreamWorks Animation's Madagascar 3 was the family favourite for the weekend, reuniting voice stars Ben Stiller, Chris Rock, Jada Pinkett Smith and David Schwimmer as the zoo animals continue their travels by joining a circus. Prometheus, from 20th Century Fox, stars Noomi Rapace, Michael Fassbender and Charlize Theron in an offshoot of director's Scott's 1979 science-fiction horror tale Alien. Prometheus did big business despite an R rating, which can limit a movie's audience in the U.S. since those under 17 must see it with an adult.
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On the web

Kevin Costner testifies at New Orleans trial of a lawsuit involving oil-cleanup devices

Seth Green THE CANADIAN PRESS

100 episodes later, Robot Chicken is still going strong

An unlikely hit. Seth Green surprised his hilarious 'side project' is now on its sixth season

When Seth Green launched Robot Chicken back in 2005, he thought the same thing most viewers likely did — that the scattershot animated gag machine was a fun diversion destined for a TV lifespan not much longer than one of its pithy sketches.

So with the 100th episode of the Emmy-winning trouble-making-with-toys comedy set to air on Teletoon this Sunday night, the 38-year-old is as surprised as anyone by the manic show's longevity.

"It's super surreal," marvelled the upbeat Green in a recent telephone interview.

"Because this was just never meant to be something that actually was a show, let alone a series, let alone a long-running series. This was such a side project. This was such a silly thing that we wanted to make.

"It evolved into something that other people were watching, and so we realized we were making it for all of us."

The stop-motion sketch series arrived in February 2005. Grown from a short-lived web series produced by Green and Robot Chicken co-creator Matthew Senreich, the show was aired on Adult Swim before that property became a cross-platform cartoon titan producing TV shows, video games and music.

Back then, it wasn't even its own network, but just a programming block on the Cartoon Network.

"We didn't expect anything," said Green. "Adult Swim was really just taking shape. We weren't even sure if the network was going to be around in a couple months.

"And we had no idea what we were doing," he added, noting that the show's producers initially took on an overly ambitious production schedule. "I actually had a physical breakdown toward the end of that year."

With Robot Chicken, Green and Senreich let their childhood obsession with toys fuel a rapid-fire melange of imaginatively bawdy jokes steeped in geek culture — one sketch of thousands, for instance, depicts a Star Wars stormtrooper bringing his poor daughter onto the Death Star during "take your kids to work day."

Over five seasons, the show has welcomed a stunning array of Hollywood A-listers into its cracked world, including Sarah Michelle Gellar, Mila Kunis, Snoop Dogg, Megan Fox, Scarlett Johansson, Conan O'Brien, Ryan Seacrest and Charlize Theron.

But perhaps the biggest boon to the show's fortune was timing. Less than a week before Robot Chicken hit the airwaves, YouTube launched and suddenly seized upon and furthered the Internet's collectively voracious desire for short-form content. And Robot Chicken's snickering snippets were the perfect fit.

It was a coincidence that looked like prescience, Green says. "Isn't that weird? It makes us look like we really knew what the hell what we were talking about," he said with a laugh. "No, we just didn't have money to shoot anything longer than four minutes, so we developed rapid-fire short-term content.

"When Robot Chicken came around, we originally called it ADD TV, because we thought that was what it was — it was jokes without a laborious setup, all punch lines. It's straight to the point."

Green and his collaborators are currently in the process of piecing together the sixth season of the show (which airs earlier in the U.S. than it does here in Canada), although he's focusing his effort on directing a one-time Robot Chicken special set in the DC Comics universe.

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Previous roles

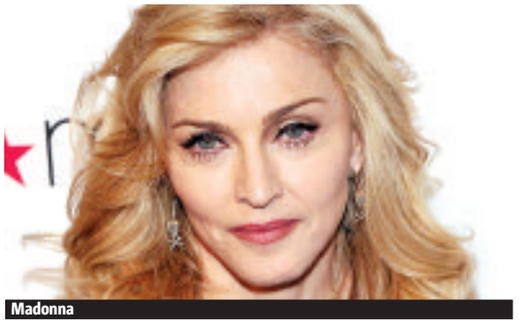
- **Seth Green.** The ginger-haired actor is best-known for roles on Buffy the Vampire Slayer and the Austin Powers series. He also provides the squeaky voice of dim-witted pubescent adolescent Chris Griffin on Family Guy.

Perry keeps it professional

With her marriage to Russell Brand falling apart, Katy Perry learned how to keep her personal problems backstage while touring last year, she explains to Graham Norton in an interview.

"I love being onstage, and even though I went through some pretty tough times last year, I had to separate that because I know my problems are my problems and they are not the audience's problems," Perry says.

"They are here to see a show and to be entertained, so I got on that lift, put a smile on my face and went up (onstage) with my t–s spinning." After her interview, Perry was spotted grabbing dinner with Florence + the Machine guitarist Robert Ackroyd, with whom she'd supposedly split up last month.



Madonna

Something we haven't seen, please

Madonna has never been one to put on a PG show, but her Thursday night concert in Istanbul made rolling around moaning in a wedding dress look subtle.

While performing her song Human Nature, the 53-year-old — wearing some combination of fishnets and upscale suburban mall bondage — decided that fondling herself wasn't quite enough.

At the end of perhaps the world's most choreographed, awkward striptease, the singer flashed the audience of 55,000 her right nipple before ending the song with her hand down her pants.

Is she still sexy?

Of course. But she's now officially in the creepy aunt subsection.

Angelina attached to Fifty Shades adaptation?

The breakout erotic novel Fifty Shades of Grey may have found yet another fan with Angelina Jolie, who has reportedly been in talks to direct the film adaptation, according to Deadline.

Sources say Jolie has had "a conversation or two" with Universal Pictures, the studio that won the rights to the smash book, though a source close to Jolie denies the story, saying Jolie is "completely focused on her next film, Maleficent, and isn't entertaining other offers at this moment."

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Lindsay Lohan's car crash still happening

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Lindsay Lohan got into a nasty car accident in L.A. over the weekend, and because this is Lindsay Lohan, things are far from over.

The actress, who was driving, initially claimed that an 18-wheeler cut off her black Porsche, causing her to slam into the back of it and total her car.

We're not sure if the damage matches up to this story — we're not even sure we've ever seen a Porsche in one piece — but the driver of the truck tells TMZ that Lohan, who was speeding, caused the crash, then attempted to leave the scene while her assistants negotiated a bribe and removed the actress' belongings from the car.

"I'd already called 911 because they were trying to get away from the scene," the truck driver tells the site. "But they packed a bag and then the (assistant) told me, 'Don't mention the bag to the cops.'"

Lindsay, for her part, is sticking with her original story, but yesterday also floated the idea that the brakes on the Porsche, which was a rental, were recently replaced and failed.

Lindsay, we realize you didn't have a normal adolescence, so allow us to explain how this works: When you irresponsibly smash up an expensive car that isn't yours, the correct response is to cry, call your mom and say "officer" a lot.

Rinse and repeat as necessary.

Snooki. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Warning: Nude Snooki is lurking out there

Jersey Shore star Snooki seems to be the latest celebrity to get her phone hacked and, surprise, there were nude photos on there.

The pictures, which were first posted to the blog Egotastic, show her — or, if we're entertaining a really dark world, an impersonator — in a hotel room and appear to be at least six months old.

We can't decide what's more upsetting: That we've seen Snooki naked, or that we can estimate how long ago she was naked.

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@RyanSeacrest
That moment when u realize ur watching a show on DVR and get mad at yourself for not FFing thru commercials.

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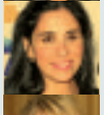
I think that it is good that #RockofAges soundtrack has gone to number one. I sing songs on it.



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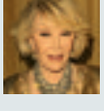
It's staggering to think-- Every 30 seconds in the United States alone I say something racist



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There were so many old people at my birthday party yesterday that I hired a valet service just for their walkers.

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Health

Marijuana more popular than smokes

A U.S. government survey shows more teens are now smoking pot than cigarettes.

The Centres for Disease Control and Prevention reports that 23 per cent of high school students said they recently smoked marijuana, while 18 per cent said they puffed cigarettes. The survey asked teens about a variety of risky behaviours.

For decades, the number of teens who smoke has been on the decline. Marijuana has fluctuated, and recently rose. At times, pot and cigarette smoking were at the same level, but last year marked the first time marijuana use was clearly greater.

An earlier survey by the University of Michigan also found that pot smoking was higher. A Michigan expert said teens today apparently see marijuana as less dangerous than cigarettes.

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On the Web

Honey is flowing at posh hotels from Paris to NYC as bees take up residence

Is the name Jaden taken? What about Justin? GETTY IMAGES

Of 'stolen' baby names

Etiquette. What if someone got to your "special" one first?

SHAWNA COHEN
Mommyish.com

Just days after Blue Ivy entered the world, proud parents Beyoncé and Jay-Z trademarked their little girl's name. But guess what? You can still name your little bundle Blue Ivy if your heart desires (just don't go using that name on your line of hipster onesies).

Baby names are a free for all. Nobody owns the rights to a baby name — not your cubicle mate, your BFF or your very own sister who had the name "Zoe" picked out from birth. And it's about time people stopped accusing others of "stealing" their baby names. This isn't high school, people!

Recently, the Social Security Administration released its list of the top American baby names for 2011. As fascinating as the list itself is, some people are actually upset if their chosen baby name happens to have fallen on it. For example, the name Mason is in the No. 2 spot for boys — much to the dismay of parents who believe they personally invented/discovered that name (newsflash: you didn't!).

One Mommyish reader named Katie shared her own ridiculous baby name-stealing story. It goes like this: A girl in her daughter's class is named Isabelle. Isabelle's mom went nuts when a fellow mom named her second child Isla. She claims to have invented the name Isabelle and she felt that Isla was just a bit too similar. So Isabelle's mom flipped out at Isla's poor mom and accused her of stealing the name she magically created by combining Izzy and Belle. (Isabelle's mom, if you happen to be reading this: Get a grip, lady!)

Also this month, the New York Times devoted space to this very issue. One reader "Meghan" from St. Louis — wrote in with the following:

"I'm expecting my first child next month. We're naming our son Benjamin, a family name filled with meaning. I told my colleagues months ago. My assistant is also expecting her first child. She recently announced that she will name her son Benjamin, too. I approached her privately and told her I was upset. She thought I was being unreasonable, and told me she chose the name after me because she thought it was cute. What should I do?"

Meghan, too, was told to get a grip — thank God! (It was even recommended that she consider the name Nenjabim as an alternative, which cracked me up.)

My point is this: If you have an "original" baby name picked out, don't share it in advance. If you do share it in advance, don't be upset if someone else uses it.

Another point: If you hear a name that you like, go ahead and use it. Who cares if there are two Jadens in the same playgroup? Chances are there will be two more in little Jaden's classroom, anyway, and another seven at your next door neighbour's birthday party.

Is a Brave princess really groundbreaking?

LINDSAY CROSS
Mommyish.com

Who is excited about Pixar's newest movie Brave? Let's all raise our hands.

This will be the first time a Pixar movie has a sole female protagonist. It centres on a girl who happens to be a princess, but doesn't really act like one. The main character, Merida, is more interested in archery than in finding a prince.

As I've been eagerly watching the previews for Brave, I took it for granted that my headstrong daughter would be excited about the movie as well. This is a little girl who throws Batman-themed birthday parties. Of course she's going to love a princess who competes in a tournament for her own hand in marriage.

Except then I went and showed my daughter the trailers. "Ehh...Let's go swimming, Momma."

That was it. That was her response. I'm not going to pretend that I wasn't a little let down. "Did you see she shoots a bow and arrow?" I prompted.

I realize that I shouldn't push my daughter to like certain things, especially not movies or television. I should probably take pride in the fact that what I'm sure is an enormously expensive marketing campaign hasn't swayed my little girl's opinion. But I really want my daughter to love this awesome character who seems to be strong and fearless.

I guess Brave is a big deal for all the women who realize that they grew up with kind of crummy princesses. We're the ones who, as adults, keep demanding more progressive characters for young girls. Our kids really don't understand yet just why complacent princesses rescued by their one true love might set a bad example. To my daughter, who's always been told that girls could rescue themselves, this movie isn't all that groundbreaking.

Either that, or Disney's marketing team has lost its touch.

Brave, or maybe no big deal at all. DISNEY

A distinctly savoury and stylish take on cheesecake

Top these little cakes with smoked salmon with a sprig of fresh dill; pear with caramelized onions; caviar and sour cream; prosciutto-wrapped fig or; black olive tapenade.

1. Line a 23-cm (9-inch) pan with foil, letting it hang over the edge for easy removal of cheesecake; set aside.

2. Crust: In a bowl, combine graham cracker crumbs, melted butter, sugar and pepper. Press into pan. Bake in 150 C (300 F) oven for 10 minutes. Let cool completely.

3. Filling: Using a food processor, blend cream cheese, sugar, egg, egg yolk, sour cream, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Process until all ingredients are fully incorporated and batter is free of lumps, about 1 minute. Pulse in walnuts and chives.

4. Pour into pan and spread evenly over crust. Bake for 20 minutes or until centre is firm. Do not over-bake. Let cool completely in pan, cover and place in refrigerator overnight.

This recipe makes 15 to 20 servings. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

5. Remove cheesecake from pan. With a warm, dry knife, trim off edges. Cut remaining cheesecake into 2.5-cm (1-inch) or 4-cm (1 1/2-inch) squares, wiping the knife after each cut. Top as desired and serve. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ WALNUTINFO.COM/ ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS (PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR, TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDS.CA)**

Ingredients

Crust
- 250 ml (1 cup) graham cracker crumbs
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) butter, melted
- 5 ml (1 tsp) each granulated sugar and freshly ground pepper

Filling
- 1 1/4 pkgs (250-g/8-oz size) cream cheese, room temperature (312 g/10 oz total)
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) granulated sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 egg yolk
- 20 ml (4 tsp) sour cream
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) lemon juice
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) freshly ground pepper
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) walnuts, finely chopped
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) finely chopped chives

Healthy eating

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Nothing tastes quite as good as barbecued pork at the end of a warm day. But every delicious bite you take may cost you in calories, fat and sodium.

1 Rack of Pork Baby Back Ribs with Barbecue Sauce

1,440 calories/ 86 g fat/ 32 g saturated fat/ 2,200 mg sodium
You have an entire day's worth of calories, fat and sodium.

Equivalent

One or two single ribs are fine, but if you go for the entire rack, you'll be eating the equivalent of two packages of cooked Maple Leaf bacon in fat. You'll also be a step closer to clogging up your arteries.

Pork Rib Chop (8 oz.) with barbecue sauce

490 calories/ 20 g fat/ 8 g saturated fat/ 337 mg sodium
A pork chop is delicious and contains eight times less fat and four times less calories than ribs.

Cheesy Peanut Puff Pastry Straws. Party eats

1. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper; set aside.

2. In a bowl, combine cheese, peanuts and cayenne pepper.

3. On a lightly floured surface, roll out half of the puff pastry into a 30-cm (12-inch) square. Trim to size if needed. Brush egg all over surface. Sprinkle half of the cheese and peanut mixture over lower half of square, leaving about 1-cm (1/2-inch) border on three sides. Fold top half of pastry over bottom half, pinching edges firmly to seal. Using rolling pin, lightly roll over pastry to seal layers together. Brush with egg.

4. Using a sharp knife, cut rectangle vertically into 1-cm (1/2-inch) thick strips, each about 15 cm (6 inches) long. Twist each strip several times and place in a single layer on prepared pan.

5. Repeat with remaining pastry and cheese mixture. Bake in centre of 200 C (400 F) oven, rotating pans halfway through, until straws are puffed and golden, 15 to 18 minutes. Once made, straws can be kept in an airtight container for a couple of days. **NEWS CANADA/PEANUT BUREAU/ ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS (EMILYRICHARDSGOOKS.CA)**

Ingredients

4 dozen straws

- 500 ml (2 cups) shredded old cheddar cheese
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) salted peanuts, finely chopped
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) cayenne pepper
- 1 pkg (14 oz/397 g) frozen puff pastry, thawed
- 1 egg, lightly beaten

Cedar-Planked Brie makes a creative barbecued appetizer

Dazzle your guests with Cedar-Planked Brie with Cherry Chutney and Toasted Almonds. NEWS CANADA

1. In a small, heavy-bottomed saucepan over medium heat, warm the oil. Add the onion and cook, stirring often, until golden, about 5 minutes. Add the garlic and stir until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Stir in the ginger, preserves, a pinch of cinnamon, and a pinch of red pepper flakes and bring to a simmer. Reduce the heat to very low and cook for 3 minutes. Transfer to a bowl to cool.

2. Prepare a two-zone fire for medium heat (350 to 450 F).

3. Brush the cooking grate clean. Place the soaked plank over direct medium heat and close the lid. After 5 to 10 minutes, when the plank begins to smoke and char, turn the plank over.

4. Set the Brie in the center of the plank and cook over direct medium heat with the lid closed, until the cheese softens and the rind turns a pale golden brown, about 10 minutes. Use a wide spatula to transfer the Brie to a serving plate.

5. Spoon half of the chutney over the cheese and top with the toasted almonds. Serve with bread or crackers and the remaining chutney on the side. **NEWS CANADA/ RECIPE FROM WEBER'S SMOKE BY JAMIE PURVIANCE. USED WITH PERMISSION**

Ingredients

Ideal grill: Charcoal
Smoke intensity: Moderate
Prep time: 20 minutes
Cooking time: about 10 minutes
Special equipment: 1 untreated cedar plank, 12 to 15 inches long and about 7 inches wide, and 1/2 to 3/4 inch thick, soaked in water for 1 hour
Serves: 4 to 6

Chutney
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 2 tbsp minced yellow onion
- ½ tsp minced garlic
- 2 tsp peeled, minced fresh ginger
- ½ cup cherry preserves
- Ground cinnamon
- Crushed red pepper flakes

- 1 wheel (8 oz) Brie cheese
- ¼ cup sliced almonds, toasted
- Baguette slices or crackers

Freshen up your laundry list

DIY. Homemade detergent is a cheap and chemical-free alternative for your laundry

BEN KNIGHT
Metro Canada

In the market for an additive-free, fragrance-free laundry detergent that's also much, much cheaper than the brand you're using now?

You probably can't buy it. But you can make it yourself — at home.

And it's easy!

Using just three simple ingredients, you can mix a batch in less time than it takes to go to the store and buy a commercial brand.

"The first ingredient is a bar of soap," says Matt Jabs, co-founder of the website diyNatural.com, which is packed with innovative, inexpensive homemade cleaning solutions.

"It can really be any kind of soap, but a lot of people use either Ivory or maybe Castile soap."

"Then you have to grate the bar of soap," adds Matt's wife and site co-founder Betsy Jabs. "We always recommend you use the finest cheese grater, so the soap particles are small and not floating around in the laundry."

Add a cup of Borax, a cup of washing soda, mix thoroughly, and you're ready to do laundry.

"A lot of people will substitute baking soda for washing soda," Matt notes. "Washing soda is really good if you have hard water, because it's a water softener. But if you already have soft water, you're better off using baking soda."

The savings are impressive. This simple concoction cleans your clothes for about a nickel a load. The same amount of commercial detergent costs four times as much — around 20 cents.

"It's one of the things in our households that I think people don't give a second thought to," Betsy says. "They don't consider the chemicals and the harmful things that might be in the laundry detergent, that eventually end up on our skin every day. We only use ingredients that we know are safe, and aren't going to coat our clothes with any harmful chemicals."

If you've just purchased a modern high-efficiency washing machine, this homemade laundry soap is actually ideal.

"Consumers have been duped big-time that they need some kind of more expensive, high-efficiency detergent for HE machines," says Matt. "All they are is low-suds. Our recipe creates very little suds."

"People really do have to give this a chance," Betsy concludes. "It doesn't take a lot of time, and if you don't like the result, those ingredients can still be used elsewhere in the house."

For more great money-saving ideas: diynatural.com.

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Matt Jabs, co-founder, diyNatural.com

Soapy savings

5 cents

Approximate cost of doing a single load of laundry with this simple, homemade detergent. That's about four times cheaper than commercial brands.

Using just three simple ingredients, mixing up homemade detergent is quick and easy. ISTOCK PHOTO

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Is there such thing as green hotels? And if so how can I find one?
Dan of Toronto

Indeed, there are green hotels!

Many work to conserve resources like energy and water — by installing everything from energy-efficient lighting to low-flow shower heads. Other green hotels tackle waste and pollution with food waste composting, in-room recycling and using eco-friendly cleaning products.

One option is to search the Green Key Eco-Rating Program website at greenkey-global.com. They rate hotels and resorts in Canada, the U.S. and internationally on environmental performance

Top Canadian Hotels (topcanadianhotels.com) also allows hotels to self-select as "green" by submitting an evaluation of their environmental performance — energy conservation, pollution prevention — to receive green leafs (one to five). However, it doesn't appear that the actions committed by the hotels are verified by another third party, or Top Canadian Hotels for that matter.

A leader in the green hotel movement has been the Fairmont Hotels & Resorts. In 1990, the company launched a Green Hotel Partnership Program to minimize its properties' carbon footprint. In Vancouver, the Fairmont Waterfront raises 500,000 honeybees on its rooftop and maintains a beautiful herb garden (excellent bee food), not to mention serving Ocean Wise seafood, organic wines and much more. They believe they can minimize their environmental impact while offering guests an outstanding experience! And why not?

A simple Internet search using "green hotel" and your destination city will likely reveal a few excellent choices. Be prepared to ask about what exactly makes them "green."

A simple Internet search using "green hotel" will reveal some excellent options. ISTOCK PHOTO

‘I saw him heal completely’

Wellness at work. Facing a health scare with her son, Angela Shim took matters into her own hands

THE IN-CREDIBILITY FACTOR
Teresa Kruze
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Sometimes the most amazing things in life come in the smallest packages.

Angela Shim was working in a bank when she gave birth prematurely to her son.

When he was diagnosed with severe health problems, she was told by the doctors that there was nothing more they could do.

“He was eight years old and looked like a dehydrated old man covered in gauze. I made a decision at that time I was going to do whatever it took to find a solution.”

Angela went to workshops, web seminars and naturopaths; then she went to work on her son.

“I saw him heal completely. We got him off puffers and medications and we saw a new person.”

Angela’s son is now a healthy 19-year-old.

She left the bank and created a new career helping other parents heal their children through food nutrition and energy management.

“I feel very blessed with what I’ve experienced and it has been an awakening process. Create your wellness bank account. And make sure you invest more than you withdraw.”

Angela Shim, co-founder of the Whole Child Network. PROVIDED

Road to rejuvenation

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- Health is a choice and a daily habit.
- Focus on uncovering the root cause versus masking symptoms.
- Observe nature’s laws and principles.
- Feed and nourish your immune system daily; it is your best wellness support team.

Visit: wholechildnetwork.com

Not accepted: Fear of the flat envelope

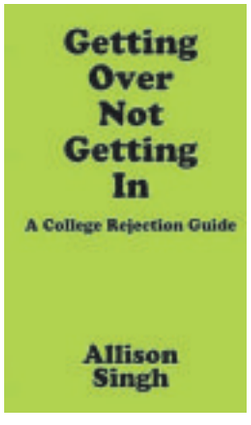
There’s life after that letter. Recover and recharge after post-secondary rejection

MELISSA REBER
Metro News

As a high school senior I remember anxiously awaiting word of my acceptance to my top university picks. That day came when I had all the envelopes in my hand — three stuffed to the brim with good news, and one pathetically thin with rejection.

I was offered a spot in another program, but this was still not what I was hoping for when I applied. As an 18-year-old who was not quite sure what I wanted to do with my life, the three acceptance letters left me with more choices then I knew what to do with, but there was a small part of me that felt the sting of not being ‘good enough’ for that one university.

Be proud of what you’ve accomplished, no matter what answer the envelope produces. ISTOCK



Receiving a rejection letter to one, or a few, of your university applications is not uncommon.

With the number of applicants rising each year the competition is fierce if you want to secure a spot at one of the top universities in Canada.

So what happens when you receive that rejection letter and your dreams of walking across the graduation stage at (insert school name here) are dashed?

Allison Singh, author of Getting Over Not Getting In: A College Rejection Guide, offers advice on getting past the feelings of inadequacy and upset:

Remember that rejection will not hold you back

“But entering college full of bitterness and self-doubt will,” says Singh,

“Research shows that these days it does not matter where students attend college, or at least not as much as they might think. Employers value skills and internship experience more than the name on a diploma. Success is up to the individual.”

Resumé reality

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Allison Singh
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Respect your feelings

“Sometimes we minimize the sting of rejection or condescendingly tell students to just brush it off. This is unfair,” Singh says. “In many ways, we have set students up for this by making the college admissions process the central focus of high school. I begin by reminding students that rejection is not an indicator of their ability or future success. They should be proud of what they accomplished in high school, regardless of where they end up.”

Move forward

Singh suggests students to take another look at the schools that did accept them. “Visit the schools, talk to students. If they keep looking back at the school that said no, they will miss out on all of the opportunities at the school that said yes.”

School statistics

Knowledge by the numbers

- In Ontario, high school students are applying to universities in record numbers, continuing an 11-year trend of increasing demand for university education, according to the Council of Ontario Universities.
- The total number of first-year applicants rose by 2.2 per cent to 109,985 applicants at the January 11, 2012 deadline for secondary school applicants.
- * In 2010, there were almost 1.2 million students in degree programs on Canadian campuses: 755,000 undergraduates, 143,400 graduate students studying full-time, and an additional 275,800 students studying part-time.

The Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada

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Belmont Stakes

"It was a very exciting race at the end. The public should be happy with it."

John Velazquez, jockey of Belmont Stakes winner Union Rags. Fans were rewarded with a sizzling finale to the season's Triple Crown series when Union Rags overcame Paynter in the closing strides to win by a neck. The Belmont lost its main attraction on the eve of the race when Canadian-owned I'll Have Another was suddenly and shockingly retired with a left front tendon injury.

Boxing

"I've never been as ashamed of the sport of boxing as I am tonight."

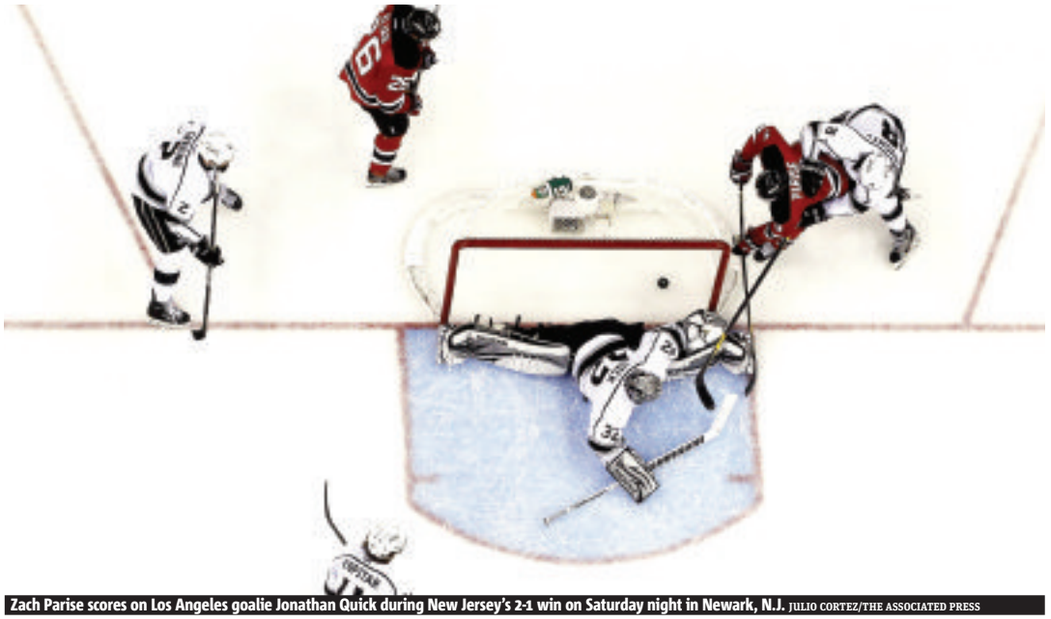
Promoter Bob Arum, fuming after Timothy Bradley beat Manny Pacquiao on a judges' decision at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas on Saturday night. In a fight Pacquiao seemed to have in hand, two judges decided otherwise, giving Bradley a split decision Saturday night and ending the Filipino fighter's remarkable seven-year unbeaten run.

"I did my best. I guess my best wasn't good enough."

Manny Pacquiao

On the web

The field appears to be wide open as players begin to arrive in San Francisco for this week's U.S. Open. At the Olympic Club course, nothing ever seems to turn out as expected, similar to how many top golfers' seasons have gone thus far. Scan the code for the story.



Zach Parise scores on Los Angeles goalie Jonathan Quick during New Jersey's 2-1 win on Saturday night in Newark, N.J. JULIO CORTEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kings refocus with time running out

NHL. Doughty says club has tuned out distractions after losing two straight to Devils

The cellphones are going off and the blinds are going down. The Los Angeles Kings believe the best way to close out this Stanley Cup is to completely ignore the growing madness around them.

When they had a chance to make history and lift the trophy at Staples Center in Game 4, the requests for tickets and demands on their time went through the roof.

As a result, they may have been guilty of taking their eyes off the prize, something they've vowed not do when they get a third shot at knocking off the New Jersey Devils in Game 6 on Monday.

"We don't want any distractions," said defenceman Drew Doughty. "I think a lot of us before Game 4 were distracted with family members and friends, the cup coming in the building. A lot of things we have to put aside. Family always comes first for everyone, but at this point of the year the team has to come first.

"We're a family in the room and on the ice."

It was a refreshing piece of honesty from Doughty, who provided the best view behind the curtains as the Kings family convened at their practice facility Sunday for a meeting.

This is the first time all playoffs they've been part of a series that reached Game 6. The margin for error is getting slimmer and they're clearly looking to use the missed opportunities in this series for extra motivation.

"We realize a lot of us didn't play at our potential in Game 4," said Doughty. "We were nervous, worried about other things. All of us in the room were kind of frustrated that we were thinking about things ahead of time. (Coach) Darryl (Sutter) made sure that wasn't going to happen this time." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quoted

"The only way to really look at it in the series is the first goal."

Kings coach Darryl Sutter. A key factor to watch in Game 6 is who scores first. In a series where goals have been extremely tough to come by, the team who takes the first lead has won five in a row.

One for the ages

Significant history will be made no matter who raises the cup.

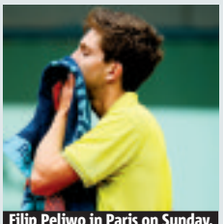
- Los Angeles is after its first title in 45 years while the Devils are seeking to become the first team since the 1942 Maple Leafs to erase a 3-0 deficit in the final.

French Open

Canadian Peliwo finishes second in junior competition

Canadian Filip Peliwo came up short in his second straight junior Grand Slam final, suffering a 6-1, 6-4 loss to Belgian Kimmer Coppejans on Sunday at the French Open.

The 18-year-old from Vancouver smashed his racket in frustration after his opponent claimed the title on a first match point. Peliwo had put the Belgian under pressure with three break points in the final game, but Coppejans managed to save them all — the third with an ace. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Filip Peliwo in Paris on Sunday. GETTY IMAGES

Jamaica

Bolt OK after early morning 'fender bender'

Usain Bolt was involved in a minor car crash shortly before dawn Sunday in his Caribbean homeland of Jamaica but was not hurt, according to the publicist for the world's fastest man.

Carole Beckford said the three-time Olympic champion was returning from a party with friends in the early hours Sunday when he was involved in a "fender bender" in Jamaica's capital of Kingston. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

F1. Hamilton makes it 3 at Canadian Grand Prix

Each Formula One race this year has tossed up a different winner and on Sunday, it was McLaren Mercedes star Lewis Hamilton's turn to shine at the Canadian Grand Prix.

Hamilton passed defending F1 champion Sebastian Vettel and two-time world champ Fernando Alonso late in the 70-lap race to post his third career win at Circuit Gilles Villeneuve.

Hamilton got the first of his 18 career F1 victories in Montreal in 2007 and won again in 2010. He's the third driver to win the race three times. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Lewis Hamilton celebrates on Sunday in Montreal. GETTY IMAGES

CFL

Roughriders obtain Patrick from Argonauts

The Saskatchewan Roughriders acquired Toronto Argonauts import offensive lineman Chris Patrick in a trade Sunday.

The Riders sent the Argos a conditional selection in the 2014 CFL Canadian draft.

The six-foot-five, 303-pound Patrick started 10 games at right tackle for the Edmonton Eskimos last season, along with appearances in the West semifinal and final. THE CANADIAN PRESS

MLB. Jays' bats come to life in series finale in Atlanta

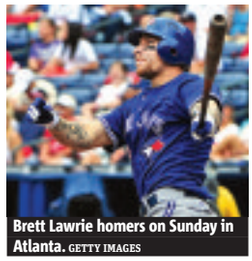
After watching the Blue Jays score a combined five runs in two losses to the Braves, John Farrell fretted about his team's inability to "bunch some hits together."

The Blue Jays came through with an impressive solution in the final game of the series.

Brett Lawrie and Colby Rasmus each homered and drove in three runs and Toronto rallied from an early four-run deficit to beat Atlanta 12-4 on Sunday.

The Blue Jays set a season high with 18 hits as they ended a three-game losing streak.

"The way things started out, it wasn't looking real promising," Farrell said. "We were able to string a number of hits together." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Brett Lawrie homers on Sunday in Atlanta. GETTY IMAGES

England

"We start among the 16 teams with a chance to show how good a football nation we are." **England coach Roy Hodgson,** brushing aside recent struggles ahead of Monday's opener against France.

France

Coach not counting club as favourite yet

Brushing aside talk of his side's 21-match unbeaten run, coach Laurent Blanc insists France still has everything to prove heading into its opener against England.

Ahead of Monday's match in Ukraine, Blanc said, "We can't have the same ambition as Germany or Spain" and warned "people tend to forget that." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The French work out on Sunday in Donetsk, Ukraine. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russia

Arshavin leads Russia in opener against Czechs

After only one match, Russia's forward line is already looking like one of the tournament's most imposing.

While the big-name attackers of the Netherlands, Portugal and Germany could only score one goal between them in their opening matches, Russia put four past a hapless Czech defence.

The win was masterminded by Andrei Arshavin, who has returned to form since his loan move from Arsenal to Zenit St. Petersburg. The striker made his name during Zenit's 2008 UEFA Cup title run before helping Russia reach the Euro 2008 semifinals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ukraine

"Our young players sometimes want to do more than they can ... and they are very hungry now." **Urkraine coach Oleg Blokhin** on his team's preparedness ahead of Monday's opener against Sweden.

Spain's 14-match win streak ends with draw against Italy

Defending champions. Spaniards surrender opening goal but even things up three minutes later

For Spain, it was a bit of a stumble. For Italy, it was a bit of a reprieve.

Beginning its bid for a third straight major title, the Spanish rallied to earn a 1-1 draw Sunday against Italy, which entered this year's European Championship amid another match-fixing scandal.

Antonio Di Natale put Italy in front after an excellent setup from Andrea Pirlo in the 61st minute, but Cesc Fabregas equalized for the defending champions three minutes later by finishing off a dazzling display of Spain's trademark passing game.

"Being the favourite now is complicated, but in the end we found the character (to earn a draw)," Fabregas said.

Spain, which followed up its Euro 2008 victory with the 2010 World Cup title, dominated the Group C match for long stretches but struggled to finish at times, while Italy relied on dangerous counter-attacks.

Group play

1	1
Italy	Spain

"The thing that really disappoints us is that we allowed them to equalize very quickly," Italy coach Cesare Prandelli said. "We were playing the world champions and we should have made them work harder to get back into the game. We gave Spain the chance to score goals. We need to improve, but that's our mentality."

The draw ended a 14-match winning streak for Spain in competitive matches, which began after a 1-0 loss to Switzerland to open the last World Cup.

Still, it could have been worse.

"I don't leave here frustrated because the effort we made to win this game was tremendous," Spain coach Vicente del Bosque said. "It was a good game, a different kind of game. It was back-and-forth and the draw was the fair result."

Contrasting stars

Mario Balotelli confirmed his reputation as an uncontrollable talent. Antonio Di Natale confirmed his as a late-blooming but utterly pure goal-scorer.

The study in contrasts could not have been greater between the two Italy forwards during Sunday's 1-1 draw with Spain at the European Championship.

The 21-year-old Balotelli earned one yellow card and could have easily been handed another, then wasted his best scoring chance by inexplicably waiting too long to shoot.

The 34-year-old Di Natale scored on his very first chance, five minutes after replacing Balotelli.

The difference in performance could prompt Italy coach Cesare Prandelli to start Di Natale ahead of Balotelli in Italy's next Group C match against Croatia on Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Among the 38,869 in attendance were Italy President Giorgio Napolitano and Spain Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Antonio Di Natale of Italy scores past goalkeeper Iker Casillas of Spain during a Euro 2012 Group C match on Sunday in Gdansk, Poland. CLAUDIO VILLA/GETTY IMAGES

Mandzukic double helps Croatia beat Ireland

Croatia's Nikica Jelavic, left, and Ireland's Richard Dunne jump for the ball during their Euro 2012 Group C match in Poznan, Poland, Sunday. PETER MORRISON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Playing in a difficult group with Spain and Italy, it's Croatia at the top.

The Croats took advantage of a frail Ireland defence to win their opening match at the European Championship, getting two goals from Mario Mandzukic in a 3-1 victory on a rainy evening at the Municipal Stadium.

"I still can't believe what we just did. It was a fantastic victory," Mandzukic said. "We knew it would be a tough match, but we responded excellently and we achieved a great victory."

Group play

3	1
Croatia	Ireland

Croatia now leads Group C with three points, while Spain and Italy each have one point after their 1-1 draw in Gdansk, Poland. Ireland, which is playing at a major tournament for the first time in 10 years, is last.

Croatia took the lead in the third minute when Mandzukic looped a header past a diving Shay Given, but Ireland equalized in the 19th when Sean St. Ledger headed in Aiden McGeady's free kick from the left.

Nikica Jelavic put Croatia back in front in the 43rd minute, scoring his first goal in a competitive match since he made his international debut in 2009.

Mandzukic added the third in the 48th after his header from Ivan Perisic's cross bounced off the post and into the net off Given's head.

Quoted

"Croatia didn't split us open. From our point of view they were disappointing goals to concede."

Ireland player Sean St. Ledger on having three goals scored against his team

Croatia nearly made it 4-1 in the 77th when Ivan Rakitic's shot curled just wide of Given's right-hand post. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

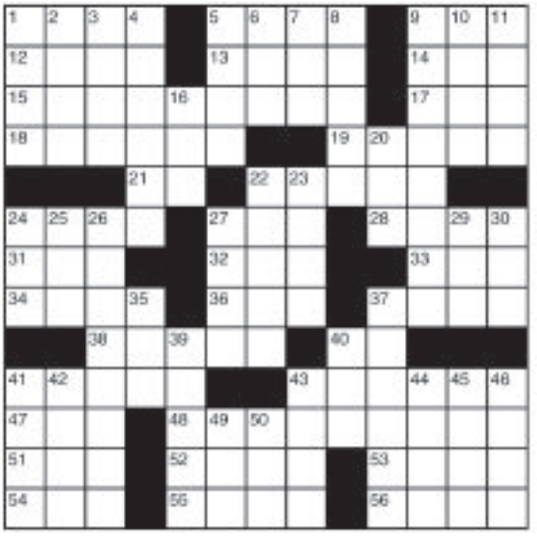
Crossword

Across

1 Comedian Jay
5 Oil cartel
9 Gym event
12 Duel tool
13 Deck in the ring
14 Mamie's man
15 Formidable request
17 Martini base
18 Wool provider
19 Wan
21 Tagged player
22 Let
24 Hardly hirsute
27 Pair
28 Old Italian bread
31 Id counterpart
32 Altar affirmative
33 Agt.
34 Depressed
36 Pinch
37 Toward the sunset
38 Its participants must form a line
40 Derisive laugh
41 USNA freshman
43 Merchant of Venice heroine
47 Verily
48 Stenog's skill
51 Felonious flight
52 Exhaust
53 Roughly
54 Em halves
55 Nimble
56 Oodles

Down

1 Transcending (Pref.)
2 16-Down's birthstone
3 Succor
4 Moved the carpeting
5 Gumbo base
6 Cushion
7 Storm centre
8 Reef material
9 Circus star's walkway
10 Tom Joad, e.g.
11 Teller's partner
16 See 2-Down (Abbr.)
20 Costa del —
22 Sound
23 Aerobatic maneuver
24 Foundation
25 Past
26 Short-range headlights
27 Bell noise
29 Dos' neighbours
30 Likely
35 Pen point
37 Soup-can painter
39 Bird houses?
40 Stolen
41 Nabors role
42 Slender
43 Quarry
44 Poi base
45 "Meet Me — Louis"
46 Commotions
49 With it
50 Bobby of hockey



Sudoku

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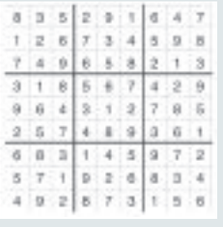
	2	4					7	
9				6	7			1

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Friday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

How to play
This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: AS YOUNG TEENAGE BOYS, MIGHT A SMALL GROUP OF FUTURE LOGGERS HAVE AN OVERNIGHT LUMBER PARTY?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals R

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Aries | March 21 - April 20. This is a good day for socializing, for spending quality time with your friends.

Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Enjoy yourself today but make sure you know your limits and make sure you stay within them.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. Jupiter moves into your sign today, signaling the start of a more fortunate phase, but don't expect too much.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. You are under no obligation to work your fingers to the bone, nor are you obliged to rescue a friend or work colleague from a situation that is entirely of their own making.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. The moment you start to believe that nothing can possibly go wrong is often the moment when you are in the most danger.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. The more you want something to happen today the more likely it is you will overreach yourself and make a serious mistake.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. You will be on the move in some fashion today. Where you go and what you do is entirely up to you but, for best results, try to make it some place that inspires you mentally, emotionally and spiritually too.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. You will be in a dreamy mood today but you need to be serious too, especially about money issues which involve other people.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Partners and colleagues will grant any favor you ask of them today — so ask away!

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. Resist the urge to rush things, especially on the work front where you won't do your reputation much good if you do too much too quickly and make silly mistakes.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. Jupiter, planet of good fortune, moves in your favour today but that does not mean you can do as you please.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Be wary of people who try to baffle you by introducing facts and figures that have no relevance to what you are working on.

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